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INVENTION

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# Notice of Allowability

Application No.

08/629,104

Applicant(s)

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Examiner

S. Joseph Morano

Group Art Unit

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course.

☒ This communication is responsive to amendment filed 11/13/96

☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 29-53

☐ The drawings filed on \_\_\_\_\_ are acceptable.

☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d).

☐ All ☐ Some\* ☐ None of the CERTIFIED copies of the priority documents have been

☐ received.

☐ received in Application No. (Series Code/Serial Number) \_\_\_\_\_

☐ received in this national stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

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☐ Acknowledgement is made of a claim for domestic priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e).

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☐ Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL APPLICATION, PTO-152, which discloses that the oath or declaration is deficient. A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION IS REQUIRED.

☒ Applicant MUST submit NEW FORMAL DRAWINGS

☐ because the originally filed drawings were declared by applicant to be informal.

☒ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948, attached hereto or to Paper No. 2

☐ including changes required by the proposed drawing correction filed on \_\_\_\_\_, which has been approved by the examiner.

☒ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment/Comment.

Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the reverse side of the drawings. The drawings should be filed as a separate paper with a transmittal letter addressed to the Official Draftsperson.

☐ Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Any response to this letter should include, in the upper right hand corner, the APPLICATION NUMBER (SERIES CODE/SERIAL NUMBER). If applicant has received a Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due, the ISSUE BATCH NUMBER and DATE of the NOTICE OF ALLOWANCE should also be included.

## Attachment(s)

☐ Notice of References Cited, PTO-892

☐ Information Disclosure Statement(s), PTO-1449, Paper No(s). \_\_\_\_\_

☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review, PTO-948

☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application, PTO-152

☒ Interview Summary, PTO-413

☒ Examiner's Amendment/Comment

☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material

☐ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance

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1. An Examiner's Amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 C.F.R. § 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it **MUST** be submitted no later than the payment of the Issue Fee.

Authorization for this Examiner's Amendment was given in a telephone interview with Frank M. Caprio on 12/6/96.

1) On page 5 of the amendment filed 11/13/96, the insert to page 39 line 10 has been deleted in its entirety

2) On page 6 of the amendment filed 11/13/96, "from a train station...track itself" has been deleted from the insert to page 42 line 15.

3) On lines 3-5 of claim 53, "from a train station...track itself" has been deleted.

4) Claim 54 has been canceled.

5) At the end of page 28, the following new paragraph has been added: --Figure 7 is a block diagram illustrating the power and hydraulic components of the snow and ice melting device.--

h 6) The drawings have been amend<sup>ed</sup>ment to include missing reference numerals still present in the specification, and to include new figure 7 which shows elements claimed but not illustrated (see approved drawing corrections).

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2. Any inquiry concerning this communication should be directed to S. Joseph Morano at telephone number (703) 308-0230. Primary examiner Morano can normally be reached Monday through Thursday, 6:30am-5:00pm EST.

*Informal* faxes (drafts, proposals) should be sent to (703) 308-2571, while *formal* faxes for which entry is desired should be sent to (703) 305-7687.

sjm  
December 6, 1996

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